

111TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 1503

To amend the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 to require the principal campaign committee of a candidate for election to the office of President to include with the committee's statement of organization a copy of the candidate's birth certificate, together with such other documentation as may be necessary to establish that the candidate meets the qualifications for eligibility to the Office of President under the Constitution.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MARCH 12, 2009

Mr. POSEY introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on House Administration

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

1 **SECTION 1. FINDING.**

2 Congress finds that under section 5 of article II of
3 the Constitution of the United States, in order to be eligi-
4 ble to serve as President, an individual must be a natural
5 born citizen of the United States who has attained the
6 age of 35 years and has been a resident within the United
7 States for at least 14 years.

8 **SEC. 2. REQUIRING PRINCIPAL CAMPAIGN COMMITTEES OF**
9 **PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATES TO PROVIDE**
10 **DOCUMENTATION OF CANDIDATE'S ELIGI-**
11 **BILITY TO SERVE AS PRESIDENT.**

12 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 303(b) of the Federal
13 Election Campaign Act (2 U.S.C. 433(b)) is amended—

14 (1) by striking “and” at the end of paragraph
15 (5);

16 (2) by striking the period at the end of para-
17 graph (6) and inserting “; and”; and

18 (3) by adding at the end the following new
19 paragraph:

20 “(7) in the case of a principal campaign com-
21 mittee of a candidate for election to the office of
22 President, a copy of the candidate’s birth certificate,
23 together with such other documentation as may be
24 necessary to establish that the candidate meets the
25 qualifications for eligibility to the Office of President
26 under section 5 of article II of the Constitution.”.

1 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by
2 subsection (a) shall apply with respect to the election for
3 the office of President held in 2012 and each succeeding
4 election for the office of President.

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